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SCORE PLANT FOR DAMAGED EQUIPMENT;
ATTACKS FAULTY SUPPLY SYSTEM

RUINS INSTRUMENTS BY POOR PACKING -- Moscow, Trud, 25 Aug 50

A worker at the Urals Heavy Machine Building Plant wrote a letter
to the editor complaining of the following situation:

The Urals plant needed temperature regulators for equipping rolling
mills. For 4 months plant workers urged the Ministry of Heavy Machine
Building to take action against the procrastinating supplier, the Tizpribor
Plant of the Ministry of Machine and Instrument-Building. This was not done,
and the regulators were not produced on time. The Ministry of Heavy Machine
Building ordered the Novo-Kramatorsk Plant in Kramatorsk to send several of
these instruments immediately. Shipment was made by air. However, when
they were unwrapped, the regulators were found to be damaged.

The Novo-Kramatorsk Plant was guilty of great carelessness in the
sending of such valuable equipment. The boxes were pierced with 120-milli-
meter spikes, which not only went through the boards, but made holes in the
instruments.

The cost of the instruments, several thousand rubles, was not the only
loss. Because of the lack of instruments, the rolling mills could not be
put into operation, and the country was deprived of a great deal of metal.
It is not sufficient for the offenders to be punished. A situation such
as this could take place only in an enterprise where standards of work were
not sufficiently high. The plant committee has apparently lost sight of
its obligations to educate its workers in the value of thrift, and to in-
still in them a feeling of responsibility. The plant trade union organiza-
tions and the central committee of the trade union of heavy machine build-
ing workers should draw serious conclusions from this incident.

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BLAMES MINISTRY FOR LACK OF SUPPLIES, BONUSES -- Leningradskaya Pravda, 16 Aug 50

Products from the Experimental Production Base for X-Ray Apparatus are distributed over the whole country. Yet the enterprise has absolutely no assistance from anyone in getting supplies. Only by a series of various "favors" and "courtesies" on its part -- a faulty system, to put it simply -- has it been able to get necessary materials.

Since the beginning of the year the system of progressive bonus payments for engineering-technical personnel has been discontinued, because it has allegedly not been approved by the Ministry of Health USSR. The ministry has already been "approving" the bonus system for more than 6 months. The enterprise is applying all its strength, knowledge, and resourcefulness to the struggle for more, better-quality, and cheaper output; it is exceeding its plan; yet there is apparently no end to the red tape involved in the approval of the progressive payment system.

The system of supply and payment of managing personnel, and the extension of the rights of the director should be examined. The success of the work of the enterprise depends in many respects on speedy settling of these problems. -- L. Borokov, Engineer-Designer at the Experimental Production Base for X-Ray Apparatus

STEPS UP PAINTING APPARATUS OUTPUT -- Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 16 Aug 50

The [Vil'nyus?] Painting Apparatus Plant is increasing output every day. The shops are working on an hourly schedule, and are already producing painting equipment on the September plan. One shop has already produced the last consignment of compressed-air painting apparatus on the 10-month plan.

The plant is working on series production of compressors and special pistols for artistic paintings.

LOADS FIRE EXTINGUISHERS -- Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 22 Aug 50

The Moscow Percussion Tools Factory of Kuybyshevskiy Rayon Industries Trust is accepting fire extinguishers for loading and reloading with summer and winter charges.

Address: Potaprovskiy per., d. 12 (basement); telephone K-5-76-02 and K 5-97-41. -- Advertisement

PLEDGES IMPROVED OUTPUT -- Leningradskaya Znanya, 12 Aug 50

The Leningrad Znanya Truda Plant of the Ministry of Machine and Instrument Building has pledged to improve technology and quality of production. Best results have been achieved by the third machine assembly shop.

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